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TAGS: SREF, UNHCR
SUBJ: INDOCHINESE REFUGEES - APPROACH TO UNHCR

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1. I MET THIS MORNING WITH UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES
SADRUDDIN AGA KHAN TO PRESENT POINTS MADE REF A, AND TOOK

OPPORTUNITY TO NOTIFY HIM ALSO OF U.S. PLEDGE OF ADDITIONAL \$2.5 MILLION IN SUPPORT OF UNHCR'S INDOCHINA PROGRAM, PER REF B. SADRUDDIN EXPRESSED GREAT APPRECIATION FOR THIS NEWEST U.S. CONTRIBUTION AND REMARKED THAT IT MIGHT SERVE WELL AS A PROD TO OTHER POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTORS, NOTABLY GERMANY AND JAPAN.

2. HE SAID THAT HE HAD HAD VERY MUCH IN MIND THE NEED TO APPROACH COUNTRIES OF TEMPORARY ASYLUM, NOTABLY MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE, TO URGE UPON THEM GREATER RECEPTIVITY TOWARD REFUGEES REACHING THEIR SHORES. HE UNDERScoreD THE DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING HIS OFFICE IN EFFECTING LANDINGS OF REFUGEES IN CERTAIN COUNTRIES, NOTING AS RECENT CASE IN POINT THE INDOCHINESE ABOARD THE ALGERIAN SHIP "HAUDI EL-HAMRA" AT SINGAPORE, IN WHICH HE WAS FORCED FINALLY TO MAKE PERSONAL DEMARCHE TO BOUTEFLIKA. THUS, HE SAID, ANNOUNCEMENT OF OUR PAROLE OF ADDITIONAL 15,000 HAS COME AT OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO ASSIST AND LEND CREDIBILITY TO HIS PLEA TO FIRST ASYLUM COUNTRIES TO ADOPT A MORE HOSPITABLE POSTURE TOWARD BOAT CASE REFUGEES.

3. SIMILARLY, HE ALSO PLANS TO APPROACH COUNTRIES OF

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TRADITIONAL IMMIGRATION TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO BE MORE FORTHCOMING IN OFFERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESETTLEMENT TO THESE REFUGEES. HE INTENDS TO TAKE THESE ACTIONS HERE IN GENEVA THROUGH THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE COUNTRIES, AND THROUGH UNHCR REPS IN THE CAPITALS, AS WELL AS THROUGH FOREIGN MINISTERS AND OTHER RANKING DELEGATES DURING HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BEGINNING IN LATE OCTOBER. INITIAL APPROACHES WILL BE MADE, HOWEVER, IN GOOD TIME PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE UNHCR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, OCTOBER 4. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE PRINCE VOICED SOME DISAPPOINTMENT OVER THE ROLES PLAYED BY AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND IN THE RESETTLEMENT EFFORT, OBSERVING THAT WHILE THE ANNOUNCED NUMBERS THEY WOULD ACCEPT WERE OFTEN IMPRESSIVE, THEIR SCREENING AND SELECTION PROCESSES HAVE, IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, PRODUCED RELATIVELY FEW CASES FOR ACTUAL RESETTLEMENT.

4. AS FOR THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LEADING DONORS, SADRUDDIN CONFESSED THAT THESE HAD BEEN SOMEWHAT DISCOURAGING, SINGLING OUT THE POOR RESPONSES TO DATE OF THE FRG AND JAPAN. HE PROPOSES TO MAKE SPECIAL APPEALS TO THEM AND SAID THAT WHILE IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO PROCEED TO TOKYO HIMSELF IN THE NEAR FUTURE, HE MIGHT GO TO BONN TO MAKE A PERSONAL PLEA. HE DISCOURSED AT SOME LENGTH ON JAPAN'S FAILURE TO REACT POSITIVELY TO REFUGEE PROBLEMS, OR EVEN TO APPRECIATE THEIR NATURE AND SCOPE, BUT CONTINUED ON TO SAY THAT HE WAS HOPEFUL OF GREATER UNDERSTANDING AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT THERE DUE TO THE SPECIAL ABILITIES AND EXCELLENT CONNECTIONS OF THE NEW UNHCR CORRESPONDENT IN TOKYO. SADRUDDIN STATED THAT HE DID NOT FEEL THAT A BROADCAST APPEAL FOR INCREASED FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INDOCHINA PROGRAM WOULD BE EFFECTIVE

AND THAT, THEREFORE, HIS FORTHCOMING CALL WOULD BE TARGETED TOWARD THE TRADITIONAL MAJOR DONORS. AGAIN, THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPEAL WILL BE FOLLOWED UP BY PERSONAL APPROACHES HERE AND IN NEW YORK, AS WELL AS BY UNHCR REPRESENTATIVES IN THE CAPITALS OF TARGET COUNTRIES.

5. I EXPRESSED SATISFACTION OVER THESE PLANNED ACTIONS AND TOLD SADRUDDIN THAT IN THE COURSE OF NORMAL CONTACTS HERE IN GENEVA I WOULD CONVEY TO THE AMBASSADORS OF GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S FULL SUPPORT FOR THEM. HE RESPONDED APPRECIATIVELY, SAYING THAT SUCH INDICATIONS OF U.S. INTEREST AND SUPPORT COULD HAVE A POSITIVE INFLUENCE IN ENLISTING THE COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE OF OTHER NATIONS.VANDEN HEUVEL

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